



Admissions

Our admissions policy supports equality of opportunity. We are focused on building a student community from various backgrounds and national origin.

To be considered for a Master's programme, candidates are required to have:

- ▶ A good university degree from a recognised University
- ▶ An English language certificate with a good score (IELTS or TOEFL or Proficiency)

Target audience

The MA is addressed to graduates in Humanities, especially History, Archaeology, Art History, Ethnography and Social Anthropology, as well as Political Science, Economics, and International Relations.

Ideal career path

The MA programme offers a critical and multifarious study of the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean, from ancient history and archaeology, modern and contemporary history and politics. The acquired skills that the graduates develop allow them to work in Educational Institutions and Academies concentrating on Black Sea and Eastern Mediterranean studies, Archaeological Departments and Research Institutes, Museums, the Diplomatic Corps or other state services and corporations which operate or have interests in the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean.



The University

The **International Hellenic University (IHU)** is the first Greek **public** University where programmes are taught **exclusively in English**. It is located in Thessaloniki, a vibrant student metropolis.

We are focused on attracting leading academics and outstanding students from Europe and across the world. The IHU offers **full-scholarships** to exceptional prospective students.

Where to find us

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The Programme

The Programme is based on an interdisciplinary approach to the study of the history and culture of the Black Sea and Eastern Mediterranean regions. The study and interpretation of the historical and cultural data of these regions, areas of great geopolitical and economic importance, will provide the student with an outstanding opportunity to specialize in a research domain of such significance in our times.

A profound and interdisciplinary look at the Black Sea region and the Eastern Mediterranean Basin, with two separate specialization streams!



Programme Structure

First Term

Core Courses

- ▶ The Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean in the Hellenistic period: The Hellenistic Kingdoms
- ▶ Where civilizations meet. Thessaloniki, multiculturalism and port cities in the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean

Stream Core Courses - Archaeology Stream

- ▶ Topics in the Prehistoric Archaeology of the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean
- ▶ Historical Geography and Cartography of the Black Sea in Antiquity

Stream Core Courses - Modern History & Politics Stream

- ▶ Mass Violence and Population Transfers in the 20th century
- ▶ Policy, Energy and Security in the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean

Second Term

Stream Elective Courses - Archaeology Stream (4 out of 6)

- ▶ The Near East in the 2nd Millennium BC: Interactions between the Hittite Empire and the Mycenaean World
- ▶ Monumental Topography and Ancient Art in the Black Sea
- ▶ Ancient Religion and Mythology in the Black Sea
- ▶ Historical and Cultural Aspects of the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean in the Hellenistic and Roman periods
- ▶ Topics in Byzantine and Islamic Art in the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean
- ▶ Excavation

Stream Elective Courses - Modern History & Politics Stream (4 out of 6)

- ▶ Hellenism in the Black Sea countries
- ▶ Diplomacy and politics in the Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean, 18th-20th centuries
- ▶ Political Islam across three Continents
- ▶ The Black Sea and the Eastern Mediterranean from WWII until the end of the 20th century
- ▶ Globalization, Politics and Diplomacy in the 21st century
- ▶ Archival research and internship in historical archives and NGOs

Third Term

The Dissertation

As a part of the MA programme, students work on a subject related to their academic interests and stream specialisation. The Master's dissertation provides a good opportunity to apply theory and concepts learned in different courses to a Black Sea or and Eastern Mediterranean related issue or challenge. The Master's dissertation assesses students' ability to both apply a certain methodology and approach in the analysis of a given problem and to demonstrate reasonably original research or fieldwork.

Schedule

Duration of the Programme

3 Semesters full-time (FT) or **6 Semesters part-time (PT)**. Teaching takes place **mainly on weekdays** over three-hour teaching periods.